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FOOT OF SNOW DELAYS TRAFFIC; HALTS SHIPPING

Five Thousand Students
Help Fill Ranks of
Shovel Brigades

WINTER COAT TO COST
CITY \$50,000 AN INCH

Few Accidents as Fether-
ston Works Short Hand-
ed; Cold Snap To-day

A hard-working snowstorm, the first
of the season, visited New York yester-
day, and after laboring steadily
from 5 in the morning to 7 at night
departed, leaving a foot-thick blanket
of snow spread over the city as a refu-
tation to those who have predicted an
open winter.

From 7 on only a few flakes fell.
To-day the Weather Bureau says that
the skies will be clear and the tem-
perature somewhere in the vicinity of
15 degrees above zero.

The snow that fell so thickly played
havoc with traffic throughout the city,
and was also felt to a great extent by
the shipping in the rivers and harbor.

Tie-up of Shipping
A large fleet of small craft was com-
pelled to tie up at Quarantine, fearing
to attempt to make port through the
storm, and several ocean-going liners
were unable to make their way through
Ambrose channel.

In the streets of the five boroughs,
and particularly in Manhattan, the
problem of the police, already made
difficult by an increase of 25 per cent
over last year in the volume of traffic,
was further complicated by adding
automobiles, whirling snowploughs and
squadrons of snow fighters.

Melting of the snow caused the pave-
ment of many of the most important
arteries of travel to become slippery,
and much traffic congestion was caused
by horses falling.

Several scores of accidents were
mostly caused by pedestrians, bowing
before the storm, attempting to pick
their way through the traffic-congested
streets. Only two persons, how-
ever, had been reported by the police
as seriously injured up to a late hour
last night. They were Annie Cio,
102 East 109th Street, who was
knocked down by an automobile at
First Avenue and 104th Street, and
Sanford Greenblatt, who slipped on the
ice on the free escape at his home in
21 West 108th Street and fell.

Big Cost to City
Commissioner John T. Fetherston
of the Street Cleaning Department
said late yesterday that the removal
of the snow would cost the city in the
neighborhood of \$800,000, this figure
being based on an estimate of \$50,000
for each inch of snowfall.

To meet this expense, which includes
the hiring of emergency snow fighters,
the operating of hundreds of ploughs and
the paying of the snow removal con-
tractors, the Board of Estimate yester-
day afternoon authorized the issuance
of \$415,000 in special revenue bonds.
Of this amount, \$400,000 was for Man-
hattan, Brooklyn and The Bronx; \$10,
000 for Queens, and \$5,000 for Rich-
mond.

Dr. Sidney E. Mezes, of the College of
the City of New York, offered to fur-
nish 2,000 students for snow removal
work. With his department badly
handicapped by the lack of emergency
snow fighters, Mr. Fetherston gladly
accepted, and immediately got in touch
with Columbia and New York uni-
versities. In each notice were posted
and announcements made in classrooms.
Between 4,000 and 5,000 students an-
swered the call. Of these 6,000
only 2,100 reported for work when the
call was sent out at 3:30 o'clock by
the Commissioner. These were added to
the 2,700 regular sweepers and
truck men of the department.

"We could have used a force of 25,
000 men as emergency workers," said
Mr. Fetherston.

Besides the men with scrapers, the
Street Cleaning Department by 10
o'clock had 120 snow ploughs, consist-
ing of a ten-foot plough blade attached
to the front of an automobile truck, at
work in Broadway, Fifth and Eighth

avenues and others of the main traffic
thoroughfares.

Despite the shortage of men, Com-
missioner Fetherston was able to keep
Fifth Avenue, Broadway and other im-
portant streets sufficiently clear to pre-
vent serious congestion. The depart-
ment's force was augmented at 7 o'clock
last night by the calling out of the snow
removal contractors, who put to work
in Manhattan 200 trucks, with three
men to a truck. Much of the expense
of the storm will be in the payment of
these contractors, who receive 38.4
cents a cubic yard for hauling snow
and dumping it into the river.

Richmond Lines Tied Up
Conditions practically similar to
those in Manhattan prevailed in The
Bronx and Brooklyn, and to a lesser
degree in Richmond and Queens, al-
though in the latter boroughs lack
of adequate snow-fighting apparatus
played havoc with the trolley lines. In
Brooklyn there were 1,000 regular and
5,000 emergency workers on duty by 10
o'clock, as well as thirty-one automob-
ile snow ploughs. Car service was ir-
regular throughout the day. Officials
of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Com-
pany said last night, however, that al-
though all schedules were virtually
abandoned some sort of service was
maintained on all of its lines.

Frostbitten Cleveland
Lacks Milk and Gas

Cleveland, Dec. 15.—With the coldest
weather of the winter this city suf-
fered from a famine in milk and natu-
ral gas to-day.

The mercury was 6 above zero when
the Northern Ohio Milk Producers' As-
sociation, controlling 75 per cent of
the city's milk supply, put a boycott
into effect because of disagreements
with dealers. Only 14,000 gallons
reached the city to-day instead of the
usual 70,000.

The gas pressure fell to such a low
point that there was prospect of closing
schools.

MAKE MAILS DRY
BILL IS REPORTED

House Committee Favors
Barring Postal Service
to Liquor

Washington, Dec. 15.—Legislative
measures aimed at destruction of the
liquor traffic continue to accumulate in
Congress, as both houses are deluged
with petitions from all parts of the
country urging adoption of the
national prohibition constitutional
amendment and passage of other anti-
liquor measures, including the Shep-
ard bill to prohibit the manufacture
and sale of liquor in the District of
Columbia.

The House Postoffice Committee
opened the door to another phase of
the problem to-day in reporting favor-
ably a bill by Representative Randall,
of California, designed to close the
mails absolutely to advertising of any
intoxicating liquors and to deny the
right to go into either "wet" or "dry"
territory to solicit sales through the
medium of the mails to mail order
houses.

No move was made during the day
by prohibition leaders in the House
regarding the Constitutional amendment
reported yesterday from the Judiciary
Committee, but Representative Webb,
chairman of the committee, plans to
ask the Rules Committee for a special
rule to get the resolution before the
House soon after the holidays.

Now that excitement occasioned by
the unexpected action of the Judiciary
Committee in recommending the resolu-
tion has subsided House members are
reverting to the prospects for its pas-
sage. The consensus of opinion
seems to be that it cannot get the
necessary two-thirds majority in the
fifth Congress. Even Representative
Webb is not sanguine of success now,
but he is confident that the amendment
will receive more votes than it did in
the last Congress, when it had thirteen
votes more than a majority. By the
time the next Congress has considered
the issue he believes the victory can
be won.

The District of Columbia prohibition
bill was under consideration for sev-
eral hours in the Senate to-day, but
was temporarily laid aside after Sen-
ator Sheppard had sought an agree-
ment to vote next Monday. When op-
ponents of the measure signified that
they would be ready for a final vote
at that time, Senator Jones, of Wash-
ington, as a friend of the bill, objected
to fixing the date. Debate on the
measure and the Underwood amend-
ment to provide for a referendum on
the issue of the voters of the District
will be resumed to-morrow.

Syracuse Beats Clarkson
Syracuse, N. Y., Dec. 15.—University
basketball team opened its season to-
night, defeating Clarkson Tech, 37 to
14. Crisp shot 17 of 20 free throws for
Syracuse.

MOOSE ARRANGE TO REVIVE PARTY

Meeting Here Plans for a
National Conference
in February

TO BAR ROOSEVELT
AND ALSO PERKINS

Middle-of-the-Road Men
from 36 States Invite Aid
of Liberals

The middle-of-the-road Progressives
intend to stick to the middle of the
road. About forty of them, mostly
from the East, but representing in per-
son or by letter thirty-six states, met
at the Manhattan Hotel yesterday and
arranged for a national conference at
St. Louis late in February to reorgan-
ize the third party that legally died
at the last election in the form of a
"liberal party," in which the leaders
hope the progressive elements of all
parties will join.

Few of yesterday's conferees are
known to national or even state politics.
The meeting was called by Matthew
Hale, of Boston, vice-chairman of the
former Progressive National Committee,
who heads a committee of fifteen
appointed last September to amal-
gamate progressives of all political
flocks.

Precautionary measures were decided
on to prevent Colonel Roosevelt, George
W. Perkins or any of the other former
Progressive leaders who "led them in
1912 and led them astray in 1916," as
Hale put it, from again taking control
of their political destinies.

Fear Plot for Control
There appeared to be considerable
fear that such a plot would be formed;
that an attempt would be made to pack
the St. Louis conference and thereby
obstruct the third party organization.
And the applause was general when
some one proposed:

The first man who opposes the per-
petuation of the Progressive party will
automatically eliminate himself from
the St. Louis convention."

The St. Louis meeting is to be held
on or about Washington's Birthday at
the discretion of a committee to be ap-
pointed by Mr. Hale. The latter said
he would communicate with Judge
Norton, of Missouri, who will prob-
ably preside at the conference, and
other Progressives of the West and
Middle West. It is hoped that Bain-
bridge Colby, Victor Murdock, of Kan-
sas; John M. Parker, of Louisiana, and
many other Progressive leaders of the
past may be persuaded to join the
"liberal party" movement before that
time. None of these men attended
yesterday's conference.

The meeting authorized the opening
of headquarters in this city to orga-
nize the St. Louis conference. J. A. H.
Jonkins, of New Jersey, pledged \$100 a
month; O'Connell and Hale pledged \$25
each, and many others pledged smaller
amounts, totalling about \$300 a month
to support the headquarters until after
the St. Louis meeting.

A committee also was authorized to
confer with the liberal elements of the
Democratic and Republican parties
with the Socialist, Labor, Prohibition
and Woman's party on the formation
of a national liberal party and to re-
port to the St. Louis gathering.

Liners Held Up in Bay
by Snow Swirl and Fog

The severe snowstorm and ensuing
fog caused much havoc in shipping
circles yesterday. Several steamers
which should have docked on schedule
time were forced to anchor in the
upper bay. Among them were the Chi-
cago, of the French Line, and the
Giuseppe Verdi, of the Italian Line.

A crowd gathered at the entrance to
the French Line docks, at the foot of
Fifteenth Street, last night, in the
hope that the Chicago would dock.
Among the passengers on the boat was
the Rev. Caspar W. Hiatt, accompanied
by his wife. Dr. Hiatt has been ac-
tively engaged in relief work in the
Paris hospitals for French wounded.
Dr. Hiatt has come to this country for
a brief rest over the holidays.

Another passenger was George Rock-
well, a brother of Kiffin Rockwell,
who while flying in the Franco-Ameri-
can hero corps was killed recently.

Several freight steamers, including
the Stavengen, from Aux Cayes; the
Olinda, from Nuevitas; the Santurce,
from San Juan; the Parima, from
Demarara, and the Savannah liner City
of St. Louis, from Jacksonville, event-
ually brought their passengers to the
docks.

ADVERTISING FRAUD CHARGED

Elina Securities Co. Representative
Arraigned in Milwaukee
(By Telegram to The Tribune)

Milwaukee, Dec. 15.—Charged with
fraudulent newspaper advertising H. R.
Mundt, of the Elina Securities Com-
pany, of New York, and Chicago, was
arraigned in District Court to-day.

The warrant was sworn out by P. W.
Steitz, secretary of the Milwaukee Ad-
vertisers' Club. The complaint charges
that the company advertised certain
stocks which they were unable to sup-
ply at the rate quoted. Mr. Steitz, on
the witness stand, said that he had
placed several orders for stocks which
had not been delivered.

Among the stocks quoted were Pabst
Brewing Company at \$80 a share, and
New World Life shares at \$14. He
said that when he tried to buy these
advertised securities the company tried
to interest him in others less stable,
especially mining stocks.

The prosecution is under the statute
enacted here a year ago, which makes
it a criminal offense to publish adver-
tisements which are fraudulent.

\$1,500,000 EXHIBIT
OF 5 VAN DYCKS

Denbigh Pictures Will Be
Shown Here Next
Month

Five portraits by Van Dyck which
have hung for centuries in the great
hall of the Earl of Denbigh at New-
ham Paddox, Leicestershire, have been
bought by Lewis & Simmons and will
be exhibited by that firm in its gal-
eries, at 605 Fifth Avenue, next
month. Lewis & Simmons value the
pictures at \$1,500,000.

Two of the portraits are of King
Charles I and his royal consort, Queen
Henrietta Maria. They were painted
at the King's command and presented
by him to the Earl of Denbigh.

Another is a picture of James Stuart,
Duke of Richmond and Lennox, who
was a cousin of Charles I and vainly
offered his life to ransom the King.
The fourth picture is a likeness of the
duke's wife, who was Mary II, Wil-
liam III's daughter, the first Duke of Bucking-
ham and Lady Catherine Manners.
Both are full length portraits.

The other portrait is supposed to be
that of Lady Elizabeth Fielding, third
daughter of the first Earl of Denbigh.
It is thought that Van Dyck painted it
in Genoa.

All of the pictures frequently have
been exhibited in England and are well
known to the students of painting. The
pictures of the Duke and Duchess of
Richmond were exhibited at the Royal
Academy in 1875, and again in 1900.

The Duke of Richmond, in a black
dress and cloak, with star, blue stockings,
black shoes with enormous ro-
settes and wide lace collar, is shown
with the greyhound which saved him
from assassination by rousing him
from sleep.

TAMMANY SEEKS AID IN VETO FIGHT

Aldermen Bidding for Five
Votes Needed to Upset
Mayor's Action

The Tammany aldermen are putting
out their war paint. They want the
scalp of Mayor Mitchell because he
scolded them when he vetoed the cuts,
aggregating \$120,000, made by the
Board of Aldermen in the budget for
1917. It is a matter of pride with the
aldermen. They expected the Mayor to
revert to reverse their action, but they
didn't like to be charged with "blunder-
ing," "meddling" and "petty politics."

They intend to muster enough votes, if
possible, to override the Mayor's veto.
The belligerent intentions of the
Tammany majority, however, will prob-
ably result in nothing more than a few
war whoops. It takes sixty votes in the
board to override the Mayor's veto on
any financial matters, and the Tam-
many regulars have but fifty-five. They
are looking around for five impres-
sionable Republican or fusion aldermen.
It was said yesterday that they had sent
scouts out to lead some of the Brook-
lyn aldermen into camp if it could be
done.

The minority in the board, led by
Alderman Henry H. Curran, believe in
preparedness and are already planning
to meet any attempt by Tammany to
discipline the Mayor. Alderman Curran
feels sure that he can forestall any
attempt to set aside the Mayor's veto
as a whole, but it is considered likely
that this course would mean an all-
night session of the board, and that
whatever items the Tammany members
might successfully attack, with the pos-
sible assistance of a needed five votes,
would be insignificant in number and
amount.

CALLAHAN TO CELEBRATE
Tombs Chaplain Will Observe Twen-
tieth Anniversary of Reform

John Callahan, chaplain of the Tombs
and head of the Hadley Rescue Mission
at 223 Bowery, will celebrate his twen-
tieth anniversary of his conversion to-
morrow. Twenty-six years ago, December
19, John Callahan, formerly a drunkard
and a barkeeper in various tough hotels
in the Middle West, reformed. Since
then he has been a minister of the
Gospel and one of the strongest forces
for good on the lower East Side.

There will be many who will help
the friend of the Bowery bum to cele-
brate "the twenty-sixth anniversary of
his soul's birth," for in the years that
Some of them will be at the Hadley
Rescue Mission to add their testimony
to the evangelist's "birthday party."

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What Mexico Did For Our Militia

"Every day drives a nail into the coffin of the Hay Federalized Guard Plan,"
exclaims one of the adverse critics of the National Defense Act which enabled the Federal
Government to call out the National Guard of sundry States to do police duty along the
Mexican border.

Now, that the militia is being withdrawn, public interest is keenly alive as to what
the four months' sojourn has accomplished toward a system of National defense.

THE LITERARY DIGEST for December 16th gives expression, in a very
interesting feature-article, to the views held by authoritative military journals, prominent
newspapers, and military officers. The article throws a strong light upon the inside
workings of the military machine during the Border service and also gives opinions as
to the future of the National Guard.

Among the many other articles of equal interest in this number may be mentioned:

Spokesmen for "Demon Rum" Present His Case

This Article Gives the Views of the Liquor Press Upon the Recent Prohibition Victories and
Supplements the case for Prohibition Published in "The Digest" a Few Weeks Ago

The President's Message
Allied Treasury Notes Not Wanted
England Sets Its Naval House in
Order

The British Discover "Zeppelin"
Secrets
Lack of Fresh Air at Sea
Germany Found a New Flemish
University
New Perils for Authorship

Plays That Catholics Censor
Lloyd-George "The Biggest Man in
England"

The Allied Powers Greet the President
Norway's Imbroglio with Germany
What Ails American Munitions-
Makers

Another Belgian Tragedy
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